Western New York Pediatric Immunization Coalition

Report of WNYPAC Meeting

March 10th, 2011

A meeting of the WNYPAC was held on March 10th, 2011 at Blue Cross and Blue Shield

The meeting was called to order at approximately 8:30a.m. Present were: Sandy Diagostino, Cheryl Melbrod, Bev Lawler, Debra Hilfstein, Nancy Schoellkopf, Joseph Zuchlewski, Scott Eden, Lisa Anderson, Mary Boron, Pat Hammond, Julie Fanutti, Greg Honsberger, Stephanie Kellner, Kay Kriner, Pat Mann, Karen Menza, Eileen Ryan,

Key Items discussed:

- 1. Review the February minutes- approved by Bev Lawler seconded by Scott Eden.
- 2. County Stimulus updates:
- a. Niagara county- Planned Parenthood in North Tonawanda has taken 50 doses.
- b. Erie County partnered with UB health clinic. Still going extremely well. About 20 vaccines given per week. Tdap going to be given at Tonawanda Pediatrics to parents. IHA will cover but working on Blues. Pilot Project underway with giving vaccine to adult offices who responded to survey. So far 5 offices have taken vaccine. Vaccine primarily Tdap but HPV and pneumo have been utilized as well. Mass immunizers including passport health and IHA have accepted Tdap and pneumo vaccine. No current jail utilization. Exploring allergy Immunology Avenue and waiting for response. 1100 doses of Tdap remain.
- c. Genesee County- Planned Parenthood has taken 50 doses in Batavia. Going to community college this week and exploring assisted living opportunity. Sent information out to area physicians but no physicians have responded.
- d. Chautauqua County- Amy responded uptake has been slow.
- e. No state update at this time.
- 3. Vaccine Safety Coalition meeting is this coming Monday, March 14th. 15 second clip is now being seen in area Dipson theaters. Clip will be obtained for utilization on area websites.
- 4. Approaching prenatal education departments at area hospitals to give pertussis tool kits and ask to include Tdap vaccination information during prenatal education classes. Responsibility of approaching various birthing hospitals divided.
- 5. Last week of April national Infant Immunization Week. Marketing efforts discussed.
- 6. Medical Society of NY doing Midday medical matters in conjunction with state health department. Last week topic was thimerisol. Next scheduled session is Dr. Hannon from Wayne County speaking on influenza vaccination.
- 7. May 4th conference-

- a. Speakers have been confirmed and feedback on Dr. Marshall is outstanding.
- b. Brochure was reviewed for errors and ready to go. Dr. Abeles failed to respond but bio information was obtained from website.
- c. Conference planning to meet Monday the 14th at 9 AM at ECHD Public Health office.
- d. 20 2010 Pink books will be given out. New ones will be ordered but may not be available in time for conference.
- e. Bags will be handed out with conference materials in them
- f. A gift basket will be raffled to attendees.
- g. Printing to be done by UB printing. Approximate cost will be \$140.00
- 8. Lead update:
 - a. Nancy appointed to state committee!!!
 - b. Budget changes will mandate changes
- 9. Prevnar presentation given by Greg Honsberger
 - a. Prevnar 13 utilization discussed. Dosing schedule, epidemiology, new serotype protection and safety slides were discussed-Currently 80% utilization in offices. 5th dose faces cost and reimbursement barriers

Manufacturer Update:

MedImmune- not present

Sanofi- nothing to report

Merck- Zostavax availability updates

GSK- Kinrix supply discussed

9. Next meeting location TBA. Most likely ECHD.